

REMARKS

The applicant's representative appreciates the time spent during the interview on June 8, 2006. As agreed, independent claims 1 and 18 have been amended herein to overcome the disclosure of Skantze (US 6,722,574). Claims 16 and 21 have been cancelled as the limitations recited in these claims are now recited in claims 1 and 18 respectively. Thus, no new matter has been added to the claims in the subject application.

Additionally, it is submitted that independent claim 20 recites limitations similar to claims 16 and 21 and such limitations are not taught or suggested by Skantze. Accordingly, independent claim 20 in its current form overcomes the disclosure of Skantze.

**CONCLUSION**

For the reasons detailed above, it is submitted that the claims in the subject application are now in condition for allowance. The foregoing comments do not require unnecessary additional search or examination, since the claim limitations were previously recited in dependent form.

Further, it would be appreciated if the Examiner provided a response on or before June 16, 2006 in light of the impending extension requirement and associated fee.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, he/she is hereby authorized to call Mark Svat, at Telephone Number (216) 861-5582.

Respectfully submitted,

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